

Transportation Fund for Clean Air - Regional Fund Pilot Trip Reduction Grant Program

Pre-Application Workshop

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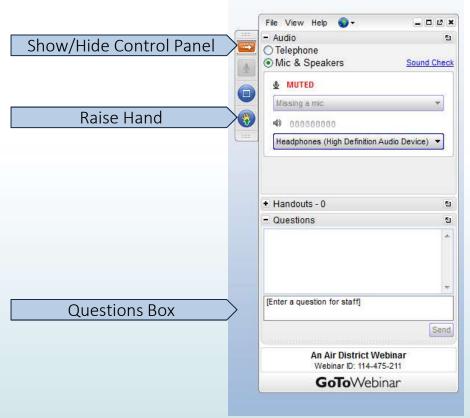
Webinar Information

This webinar is being recorded.

The presentation will be posted to the Program Website.

Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation.

Type in questions using the Questions Box.





Overview

- 1. Introduction & Background
- 2. Program Information
 - Funding Source
 - Applicant and Project Requirements
 - Schedule
- 3. How to Apply
 - Application Process
 - Evaluation Criteria
- 4. Contact Information and Questions











Introduction & Background

Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District):

- Established in 1955
- Nine Bay Area Counties
- Seven Million Residents
- 5,340 square miles

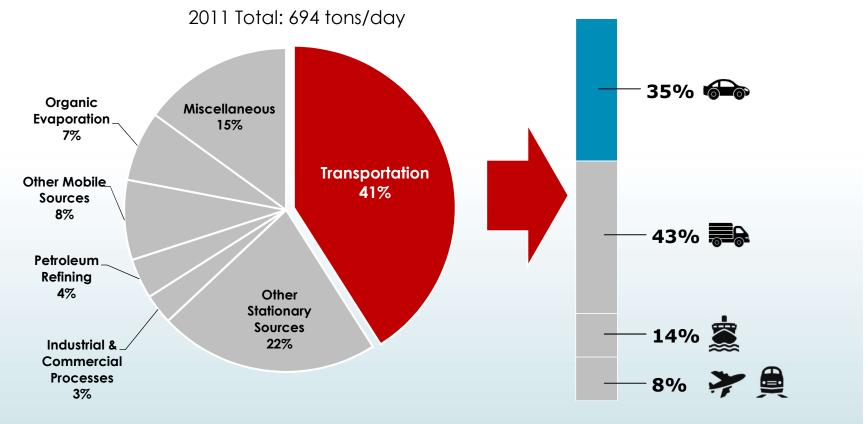
Mission:

"To protect and improve public health, air quality, and the global climate."





Sources of Bay Area Criteria Pollution





Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA)

- \$4 DMV Surcharge
- ~\$23 million available for projects in FYE 2018
- Projects must cost-effectively reduce tailpipe emissions of criteria pollutants







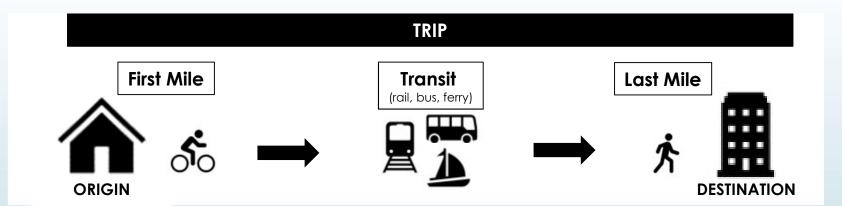
Air Quality Benefits Decline Over Time





Goal of Pilot Trip Reduction Grant Program

- Fund demonstration of new, innovative mobility solutions
 - That can cost-effectively reduce commute-hour, single-occupancy vehicle trips
 - For first- and last-mile connections to public transit





Who is Eligible?

Funding is only open to **public agencies**.

- Non-public entities may be identified as a partner/subcontractor to the applicant.
- Air District is compiling a list of non-public entities for partnership interest
 https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PTRpartner



Key Program Requirements

Projects must:

- Provide first- and last-mile connections to mass transit
 - > as an alternative to fixed-route shuttles
 - > that is available to all members of the public
- Primarily reduce commute-hour SOV trips by helping shift modes to other forms of shared or active transportation
- Generate surplus, voluntary, and verifiable emissions reductions



Key Program Requirements (cont'd)

Projects must also:

- Be new, innovative, replicable, scalable, and turnkey full-service solutions
 - > No similar service was available in the Bay Area within the past three (3) years
 - > If there is similar service, then significantly expanded service may be considered new
 - > Be able to expand at low/no cost to public agencies within 3 years of project start date
- Be cost-effective
- Commence within 12 months of contract execution
- Be located in or primarily serve a Highly Impacted Community or Episodic
 Area as defined by the <u>Air District's CARE Program</u> or in a <u>Priority</u>
 Development Area
- Have the support of a local transit agency/provider



Key Awardee/Project Sponsor Obligations

Comply with all requirements and obligations included in the funding agreement

- Funding requirements
 - Provide a minimum of 10% of the total project costs in matching funds
 - Acknowledge the Air District as a funding source
- Operational and reporting requirements
 - Operate and maintain each funded service for 1-2 years
 - Ensure that any construction work is performed by a contractor licensed in the State of California
 - Submit progress reports to the Air District
- Maintain insurance for the duration of the Project Term
- Allow Air District staff and its authorized representatives to inspect the project and conduct financial audits

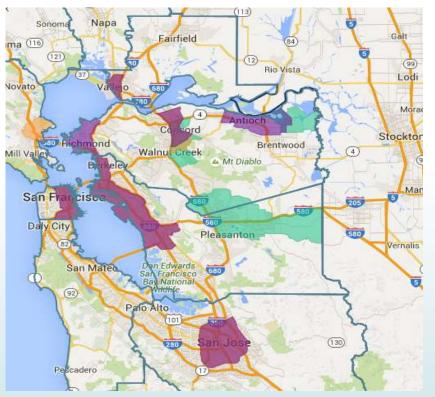


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Community Air Risk Evaluation (CARE)





www.baaqmd.gov/CARE



Priority Development Area (PDA)





http://gis.abag.ca.gov/website/PDAShowcase/



Key Evaluation Criteria

Eligibility

- > Applicants must be public agencies
- > Non-public entities may be identified as a partner/subcontractor
- Cost-effectiveness (C/E)
 - > Potential to significantly reduce SOV trips and emissions at low cost
 - > Funding level based on surplus emissions reduced and C/E limit
- Readiness
 - > Ready to launch within one year of signed contract
 - > Potential risks and uncertainties are defined and addressed
- Replicability/Scalability
 - > Potential to be widely replicated and scaled in the Bay Area
 - > Potential to continue without further grants
- Experience



Examples of Ineligible Costs and Projects

- Ineligible Costs
 - Costs associated with administering this grant
 - Costs incurred prior to contract execution
- Ineligible Projects
 - > Projects required by local, state, or federal regulations or other legal obligations
 - Solutions consisting of technologies at a Technology Readiness Level of 7 and below
 - > Non-innovative solutions, e.g. fixed-route shuttles
 - > Stand-alone solutions that do not result in direct/verifiable emission reductions
 - outreach campaigns, algorithms and apps, park-and-ride lots, development of ordinances or policies
 - > Stand-alone incentive-based solutions
 - Projects that move goods (i.e., instead of people)



3-Step Process

- Phase 1 Submit Letters of Interest
- Phase 2 Submit Full Application

1. Apply

2. Deploy

- Commence service within 12 months of contract execution
- Submit Interim Report and Invoice

- Operate for 1-2 years
- Submit Annual and Final Reports
- Submit Invoices

3. Operate and Report



Step 1. Apply



APPLICANT

- <u>Phase 1</u>: Submit letter of interest online, including:
 - ✓ Line-item budget
 - ✓ Timeline
 - ✓ Letters of support from partners
 - ✓ Map of service
 - ✓ Letter from transit agency

- <u>Phase 2</u>: Submit Full Application If selected for award:
 - ✓ Sign and return Contract
 - Ensure project is not deployed until receipt of Note to Proceed



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- Review letters of interest
- Evaluate full application
- •Issue Notice of proposed Award
- Forward proposed Contract for signature
- Execute Contract and issue Notice to Proceed



Step 2: Deploy Service



GRANTEE (PROJECT SPONSOR)

- Purchase equipment
- Hire a licensed contractor/operator to perform work
- Deploy service
- Obtain and Maintain Insurance
- •Submit Interim Status Report & Invoice



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•Release 25% of funds for reimbursement following the deployment and review of Report & Invoice



Step 3: Operate and Report



- Operate service for 1-2 years
- Maintain insurance
- Submit annual and final reports



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- Audit and inspect
- •Release 85% of funds for reimbursement after operating for at least 50% of the proposed operational period
- Release 100% of funds for reimbursement following fulfillment of proposed operation and review of final report



Online Application – Letter of Interest

- Submit letter of interest online at: https://www.tfaforms.com/4655277
- Letters must be received by the deadline of 4pm on Monday, March 12, 2018
 - ➤ Late submittals will not be accepted
- Applicants who wish to propose more than one project may submit multiple letters of interest



Online Application – Letter of Interest





Tentative Program Schedule

DATE	ACTIVITY
January 16, 2018	Air District announces grant opportunity
March 12, 2018	Deadline to submit letters of interest (Phase 1)
By May 14, 2018	Air District notifies selected applicants for further evaluation
July 17, 2018	Deadline to submit full applications (Phase 2)
August - September 2018	Air District evaluates full applications and recommends awards for highest ranking projects
By December 2018	Execute contracts with selected project sponsors
January 2019 – December 2021	Project sponsors launch and operate pilots



Thank You!

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